

# State Loan Repayment Program



<b>Program Description</b>	The Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) State Loan Repayment Program (SLRP) provides grants to more than 30 states to operate their own loan repayment programs. These state programs offer loan repayment to primary care providers working in Health Professional Shortage Areas (HPSAs).
<b>Eligible Disciplines</b>	<p><b>Varies state to state, but may include:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Physicians (MDs or DOs specializing in pediatrics, geriatrics, psychiatry, family or internal medicine, and obstetrics and gynecology)</li> <li>• Nurse practitioners (adult, family, geriatric, pediatric, psychiatric, women's health, and certified nurse midwives)</li> <li>• Physician assistants (primary care)</li> <li>• Dental professionals (general, pediatric and geriatric dentists, and dental hygienists)</li> <li>• Mental health professionals (health service psychologists, licensed clinical social workers, marriage and family therapists, and licensed professional counselors)</li> </ul>
<b>Service Commitment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Minimum 2-year service commitment</li> <li>✓ Additional 1 year of service for each year of additional support</li> <li>✓ States may require longer minimum service commitments (more than 2 years) or negotiate individual contracts with providers for different service commitment periods (e.g., 2 years for physicians, 3 years for dentists, 4 years for physician assistants) to meet community needs</li> </ul> <p>SLRP participants are now also eligible for the Part-Time Service option that is available through the National Health Service Corps. For more information, visit <a href="http://NHSC.hrsa.gov/tooltip/halftime.htm">NHSC.hrsa.gov/tooltip/halftime.htm</a>.</p>
<b>Financial Benefits</b>	✓ Loan repayment assistance for qualified education debt (amount varies state to state).
<b>Tax Liability</b>	Not taxable
<b>Application Requirements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• U.S. citizen (U.S. born or naturalized), U.S. national, or Lawful Permanent Resident</li> <li>• Licensed to practice in the state where work will occur</li> <li>• Currently work or applying to work in a facility that is located in a Health Professional Shortage Area</li> <li>• Unpaid government or commercial loans for school tuition, reasonable educational expenses and reasonable living expenses, segregated from all other debts (that is, not consolidated with non-educational loans)</li> </ul>
<b>Web site</b>	<a href="http://NHSC.hrsa.gov/loanrepayment/state.htm">NHSC.hrsa.gov/loanrepayment/state.htm</a>

